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German Democratic Republic

DISCREPANCIES IN PLANNING AFFECTING THE MAIN ADMINISTRATION FOR HEAVY-MACHINE BUILDING

1) In 1952 the State Planning Commission assigned supplementary plans to the Ministry of Machine Building, and particularly to the Main Administration for Heavy-Machine Building, without arranging for distribution of the required materials. Among these supplemental planned projects were the Lauchhammer Cokery and the "Hungary B" Power Plant.

2) The Ministerial Council is continually making contradictory decisions, in that priority designations are given to all types of projects and orders, despite the fact that material is not available for all these programs. For example, the plants under the Main Administration for Heavy-Machine Building were scheduled to receive fourth-quarter 1952 allocations of heavy plate from the ~~XXE~~ Kirchmoeser Plant to fulfill their material requirements for certain priority orders. However, the Kirchmoeser Plant stated that it was unable to make any deliveries for for "other priority orders" until the end of November, because of interference by the Office of Reparations.

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